



United States Department of Agriculture
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

INSPECTION REPORT

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PERRY'S WILDERNESS RANCH &
ZOO

3295 54TH STREET TRAIL
CENTER POINT, IA 52213

Customer ID: 5585
Certificate: 42-C-0101

Site: TRA

PERRY'S WILDERNESS RANCH &

Inspection

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: DEC-27-2004

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2.131 (c) 3)

HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

2.31 (b)(1)<<During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.>>

The area used for exhibition and photography of the animals with the public has an open firepit as the physical barrier at the rear of the designated site for picture taking. This does not provide a sufficient distance or barrier between the animals and the public.

A barrier fence shall be placed at the rear of the designated area for exhibition and photo-shoots with the cubs so that it adequately protects the animals and the public.

Corrected on site.

2.31 (c)(3)<<During public exhibition, dangerous animals such as lions, tigers, wolves, bears, or elephants must be under the direct control and supervision of a knowledgeable and experienced animal handler.>>

The animal handlers were observed manually restraining the tiger cubs when moved from their primary enclosures to direct contact with public who were taking photos with these cubs. The cubs are not restrained nor do they have any means for direct control by an experienced handler when the photos are being taken with the general public. A bottle containing formula is the only method of control of the cubs and this was observed to be inadequate when one of the cubs became unruly when the handler attempted to place the animal next to a member of the public.

Dangerous animals, such as tigers, must be under the direct control of a knowledgeable and experienced animal handler when on public exhibition.

Corrected on site.

Inspection performed at a traveling site, Thunder Mountain Harley Davidson Dealership, Loveland, CO, with the Superintendent and Cindy Rhodes, ACI.

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